

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

REGINALD BELL, SR.,

Petitioner,

V.

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE
OF WASHINGTON,

Respondent.

No. C12-5215 RBL/KLS

ORDER DIRECTING SUBSTITUTION OF
PARTY

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE
OF WASHINGTON,

Respondent

Mr. Bell has filed a proposed petition for writ of habeas corpus naming the Attorney General of the State of Washington as Respondent. ECF No. 1-1. The proper respondent to a habeas petition is the “person who has custody over [the petitioner].” 28 U.S.C. § 2242; see also § 2243; *Brittingham v. United States*, 982 F.2d 378 (9th Cir. 1992); *Dunne v. Henman*, 875 F.2d 244, 249 (9th Cir. 1989). According to his petition, Mr. Bell is currently confined at the Coyote Ridge Corrections Center. The Superintendent of the Coyote Ridge Corrections Center is Jeffrey Uttecht.

Accordingly, the Clerk of Court is directed to substitute Jeffrey Uttecht as the Respondent in this action.

DATED this 26th day of March, 2012.

John L. Thompson

Karen L. Strombom
United States Magistrate Judge